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¶1. (C) SUMMARY: At a recent meeting with visiting S/CT Deputy Villarosa, a key GOI official underscored the importance of the Jakarta Center for Law Enforcement (JCLEC), and reviewed Indonesia's deradicalization and border control strategy. The official--while praising the police--noted the military's interest in becoming more directly involved in counterterrorism efforts. Regarding 1267 implementation to curb terrorist financing, the official related that the use of cash couriers has hampered efforts to curb international cash flows. Villarosa offered USG assistance developed in the APEC context on ways to counter this development. END SUMMARY.

IMPORTANCE OF TRAINING FACILITY

¶2. (C) S/CT Deputy Coordinator Shari Villarosa recently visited Indonesia for discussions focused on counterterrorism. On August 28, she met with Aris Munandar, Deputy Director for Counterterrorism of the Department of Foreign Affairs (DEPLU) Directorate of International Security and Disarmament. Munandar reviewed key issues important to the Indonesian government in the counterterrorist area.

¶3. (C) Munandar stressed the GOI's hope that the U.S. would provide further support for the joint Indonesia-Australia Jakarta Center for Law Enforcement Cooperation (JCLEC). (Note: The Center was established in July 2004 and, contrary to its name, is located in Semarang, the capital of Central Java Province.) He noted that the classroom training offered by JCLEC effectively complements the field training currently supported by the U.S. through the International Criminal Investigative Training Assistance Program (ICITAP) and elsewhere. While the Center is already successful domestically and has some regional engagement, Munandar said with adequate support JCLEC could be a model training center for countries in South Asia and Africa, for example. (Note: Pol/C will visit JCLEC on September 9 for a meeting with the Indonesian and Australian co-directors. He will discuss ways the USG can work further with the facility.)

DERADICALIZATION, BORDER CONTROL

¶4. (C) Deradicalization programs are key for the Indonesian government. Munandar noted the GOI's stress on such efforts including combating the misuse of religion as a rationale for terrorism, properly handling prisoners convicted of terrorism-related crimes, and providing vocational training

for ex-prisoners. Additionally, he said, Indonesia's comprehensive approach to counterterrorism seeks to address the "underlying causes of terrorism," including inadequate education, political marginalization, and lack of good governance.

¶15. (C) Further, the GOI is seeking to enhance control of border areas through improved maritime security infrastructure, community policing, improved telecommunications, and empowering local citizens to play a constructive role in ensuring security. The Department of Home Affairs has been particularly active in these efforts through an approach emphasizing both security and prosperity.

ROLE OF THE MILITARY, DEBATE ON DETENTION TIMEFRAME

¶16. (C) Munandar said that even though national-level Indonesian law enforcement authorities such as Detachment 88 have greatly improved their capabilities, regional- and local-level capacity is still lacking in some areas. Meanwhile, the Indonesian military (TNI) has continued to seek a broader role in CT efforts. Munandar said his view is that since terrorism is a crime, the primary institution to deal with it should be the National Police. Although TNI intelligence organizations have been active on CT, police intel has been quite effective on its own, he added. (Note: Septel will discuss the potential expansion of the role of the Indonesian military in CT efforts.)

¶17. (C) He added that the GOI is looking into extending the

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period that terrorist suspects can be held prior to charges being filed. Moreover, the GOI wants to establish a stronger legal basis for the use at trials of evidence gathered through intelligence activities. The GOI does not intend to adopt an Internal Security Act, he emphasized. (Note: Reftel reviews recent discussions in the Indonesian Parliament related to possible changes to the country's counterterrorism law, including in the detention without trial timeframe. Reftel also reviews the status of the police investigation into the July 17 Jakarta bombings.)

CURBING TERRORIST FINANCING

¶18. (C) Deputy Coordinator Villarosa stressed the importance of appropriately using the UNSCR 1267 process to stop the international flow of funds supporting terrorism. Munandar responded that stopping the flow of money has been difficult due to radical groups' use of cash couriers and avoidance of formal banking institutions. Villarosa explained that the U.S. has been working through APEC on a number of programs to stop cash couriers and can provide additional cooperation for Indonesia as necessary.

¶19. (C) Munandar said an additional difficulty with 1267 implementation is that listing and delisting procedures have human rights implications. The GOI looks favorably on European proposals to establish a review panel on 1267 procedures. Villarosa responded that some reforms had already been implemented, adding that the U.S. understands the need to balance security and human rights while it is studying the European proposals.

¶10. (U) Deputy Coordinator Villarosa approved this message.

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